UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

Ballester Hermanos, Inc.

Civil No. 19-02100 (MEL)

Plaintiff

V.

The Edrington Group USA, LLC d/b/a Edrington Americas Civil Action Under the Puerto Rico Dealer's Act; Damages

Defendant

Trial by Jury

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE SURREPLY

TO THE HONORABLE COURT:

COMES NOW Ballester Hermanos, Inc. (Ballester) through its undersigned attorneys and respectfully states and prays:

- 1. Edrington¹'s "Reply to Ballester Hermanos Inc.'s Opposition to Motion for Reconsideration or, in the Alternative, Certification for Interlocutory Appeal" (Dkt. 363) raises new arguments.
- 2. For instance, that Edrington timely raised its claim that the Amended Complaint does not relate back because it alleged a statute of limitations defense in its Answer to the Complaint and, that since the state Court judgment became final on February 27, 2025, "[...] Edrington could not have previously briefed in depth not only their statute of limitations defense but also that the claim did not relate back" (Dkt. 363, p.6).

¹ The Edrington Group USA, LLC d/b/a Edrington Americas.

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- 3. Also that Ballester (allegedly) failed to show that the Amended Complaint relates back because it did not address the Puerto Rico Court of Appeals' "[...] finding that Plaintiff knew, for years, of Edrington's role as the principal in the distribution relationship." (Dkt. 363, p. 8).
 - 4. The arguments, aside from being new, are unsupported and incorrect.
- 5. Thus, in accordance with Local Rule 7(d), Ballester moves for leave, and a term of ten days until Monday, May 12, 2025, to file a surreply to defendant' reply at Docket 363.

WHEREFORE, Ballester Hermanos, Inc. respectfully moves the Honorable Court for leave to file a surreply to defendant' reply at Docket 363 on or before Monday, May 12, 2025.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, in San Juan, Puerto Rico, today April 30, 2025.

CERTIFICATE OF FILING

I hereby certify that on this date, I electronically filed the foregoing document with the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to Defendants' counsel.

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